

Information for Students with Disabilities

Kaua'i Community College is committed to providing all students with equitable access to its programs and services. For disability accommodations, please contact our disabilities service coordinator at (808) 245-8317.

The Disability Services office is located in the Student Counseling Office in the One Stop Center.

For more information, please go to: <https://kauai.hawaii.edu/disability-services>

Students with Disabilities Taking Distance Education Classes in the UH System

Students with disabilities who have identified with their home campus disabilities services office should contact their home campus to inform them of any DE courses taken at another campus. The disability services representative from their home campus will assist in informing the student of the disability services processes on that campus. Students with disabilities are responsible for self-identifying in a timely manner and will obtain their accommodation letter from the campus disability representative where the DE course is offered.

Student Responsibilities

- To self-identify as having a disability
- To express the need for accommodations in a timely manner
- To provide disability documentation to the Disability Services Office
- To demonstrate or document how the disability affects a particular delivery system, instructional method, or evaluation criteria when requesting an accommodation
- To actively obtain, arrange, and participate in the search for accommodations and auxiliary aids (this responsibility can extend to working with the institution to seek financial assistance from government agencies and private sources).
- To follow the same obligations as any other student to meet and maintain the institution's academic and technical standards

Student Rights

- The right to be evaluated based on your abilities, not your disability
- Entitled to an equal opportunity to learn
 - If the location, delivery system, or instructional methodology limits your access, participation in, or ability to benefit, you have the right to reasonable accommodations in those aspects of the source (or program) to accommodate your disability
- The right to appeal the institution's decision concerning accommodations
 - First internally, by filing a petition with the Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs, Thomas "No'eau" Keopuhiwa, keopuhiw@hawaii.edu or phone at 245-8274
 - Then by filing a complaint with the regional Office of Civil Rights or through the Civil Court System

Additional Information

- Accommodations may not alter course curriculum, assignments, or the syllabus of the instructor
- Post-secondary institutions may not mirror any accommodations made for students in their high school classes or mentioned in their 504/IEP
- No 1 to 1 services will be provided to students with disabilities (i.e. educational assistant) nor does the college automatically allow any 1 to 1 services to accompany a student with a disability
- Students may utilize or bring their own resources to class as long as it's approved by the Disability Services Office

Kaua'i Community College is an equal opportunity/affirmative action institution and is committed to a policy of nondiscrimination on the basis of race, sex, gender identity and expression, age, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, citizenship, disability, genetic information, marital status, breastfeeding, income assignment for child support, arrest

and court record (except as permissible under State law), sexual orientation, national guard absence, and status as a covered veteran. This policy covers admission and access to, and participation, treatment, and employment in the University of Hawai'i's programs and activities. Discriminatory harassment, including sexual harassment, is prohibited under this policy. With regard to employment, Kaua'i Community College is committed to equal opportunity in all personnel actions such as recruitment, hiring, promotion, and compensation.

Disability Services

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